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IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 14, lines 18 to 30, replace the paragraph with the following amended paragraph.

Figures 4A-D show a third exemplary embodiment of a laryngeal mask according to the invention and being essentially identical with the exemplary embodiment shown in Figure 2, but wherein the peripheral cuff 9 of the mask portion 3 comprises at least two inflatable lateral bellows 12 that are arranged on the top face 4 of the mask and being essentially in parallel with the major axis of the generally elliptical cuff 9. Like above, it serves the purpose of ensuring a closer abutment of the mask portion 3 around the laryngeal opening during use of the mask 1, the lateral bellows 12 abutting on the wall of the pharynx opposite the laryngeal opening. Simultaneously passages [[4]]4a are formed between the lateral bellows 12 and the upper face of the mask portion 3 that allow vomit, if any, to pass the mask portion. Thereby it is prevented that vomit, if any, displaces the mask portion 3 or parts thereof.